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MEMORANDUM FOR: / Director of Operations

SUBJECT:

Ad Hec Requirements Committee Requirements for the KLYUCHI Mission

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2 1. Principal Interest in the KLYUCHI area centers on the identification of possible installations affecting guided missiles either in regard to impact, as is the predominant expectation, or as regards launch, which is a possibility but at the moment given less credence. The items of interest which are shown on the overlay, it will be noted, are roughly in the shape of a triangle, and it is emphasized that KLYUCHI, the handle whereby we speak of the area, should not be miscenstrued as a pinpoint target,

3 2. The triangle as outlined should provide satisfactory coverage on the question of whether this is an impact instrumentation area and what its capabilities or potential appear to be. The cloverleaf some ten miles down the KAMCHATKA River as well as the base line of the triangle is important with regard to the possibility of launch. MH

Coverage of PETROPAVLOVSK is desirable but of lower priority than the KLYUCHI area,

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- 4. With regard to the upper legs in the triangle, it may be useful to Operations to know that the paths are plotted to cover points in the terrain which, it is anticipated, will if covered by eblique photography reveal instrumentation required for an ICBM impact area.
- 5. The Ad Hoc Requirements Committee calls attention to the fact that, while proposed collection in the KLYUCHI area can be of important significance it will be of much greater significance if such information can be coordinated with that produced from missions over KAPUSTIN YAR or the KYZL ORDA area. This will be so unless it is confirmed that KLYUCHI is a launch area, in which case KYZL QRDA area may decrease in importance since in all likelihood it would be an impact area.

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